

## SUPER PARK STUDY COMMITTEE

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## **MINUTES** February 3, 2016 Grafton Municipal Center, Conference Room F (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

- 1. The meeting was opened at 7:04. Jennifer Thomas, Abby Cross, and Michael Scully were present. Cindy Ide and Gina Dalan were absent.
- 2. a. Poured in Place surfacing- The Committee discussed a letter that was received from a concerned citizen about the safety of the poured in place surfacing. citizen was concerned that the poured in place surfacing is composed of carcinogenic material. Other concerns include the odor, the absorption of heat, and the leaching into water and soil. The committee explored the concerns and discussed possible solutions. Per the committee's research, there are many studies that show that the surfacing is safe. Mike added that the level of exposure to the poured in place surfacing is low. Children visit the playground for a limited time, unlike if the material was in your home. The committee will look at possible ways to reduce the total amount of surfacing needed. Limiting it to just the necessary areas for the fall zones. The committee discussed the possibility of the Wood Fiber surfacing. We would like to see a playground where it is being used. It appears that it is a loose material and the committee would like to determine if it would require a lot of maintenance to keep it in place. Abby will explore the cork surfacing for price comparisons.
- 2.b. Pervious Concrete- The committee is exploring the option of meeting with an expert in pervious concrete and how it could benefit the site work of the Super Park. Cindy has arranged for the possible dates of Feb 22 or Feb 24. The committee agreed that Feb 22, 2016 was the better date. The Conservation Commission is requiring the use of a pervious material for the driveway and parking at the Super Park site. The committee is encouraged to develop a list of questions for the presenter.
- 2.c. Grant Application Review- Abby and Jen are completing a grant application for the Christopher Reeve Foundation. Mike reviewed and offered suggestions.
- 3. a. Event Planning- The committee did not discuss.
- 3.b. Fundraising- Mike provided a brief update. He found a donate button system for the committee to consider.

- 3. c. Sign Update- The committee reviewed the sign again and decided to keep it as designed.
- 4. A motion was made by Abby and seconded by Mike to approve the meeting minutes from Dec. 2, 2015 and Nov. 2, 2015. Motion was passed.
- 5. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55.